



AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated hereafter.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing a television menu comprising:
receiving a plurality of television channels provided by a respective plurality of television services via a settop terminal (STT);
storing definitional information regarding a plurality of television menus in which each television menu includes at least one television menu option, the at least one television menu option being defined for each television menu based on each television service;
tuning to one of the plurality of television channels via the STT;
receiving an input signal from a user to provide a television menu;
responsive to the input signal, identifying a television service corresponding to the tuned television channel currently being provided to the user via the STT; and
providing one of the plurality of television menus to the user that includes including a at least one television menu option in the television menu, wherein television menu option that is selected to be included in the television menu based on the identified television service for the tuned television channel and the likelihood that the television menu option will be used by the user.
2. (Original) The method for providing a television menu of claim 1, wherein the service provided is identified by an operating system.
3. (Original) The method for providing a television menu of claim 1, wherein the service is identified by information previously stored in memory.
4. (Previously Presented) The method for providing a television menu of claim 1, wherein a user input corresponds to a predefined input signal.

5. (Currently Amended) A programmable television services client device that provides television control services, said client device comprising:

a tuning device for tuning to one of a plurality of television channels provided by a respective plurality of television services;

memory for storing data-definitional information regarding a plurality of television menus in which each television menu includes at least one television menu option, the at least one television menu option being defined for each television menu based on each television service;
and

a processor coupled to said memory that is configured to receive an input signal from a user, responsive to the input signal identify a television service corresponding to the tuned television channel that is currently being provided to the user, provide ~~a television menu containing at least one television menu option, wherein the television menu option is selected to be included in the television menu~~ one of the plurality of television menus to the user that includes at least one television menu option that is selected based on the identified television service for the tuned television channel ~~and the likelihood that the television menu option will be used by the user.~~

6. (Original) The programmable television services client device of claim 5, wherein the service is identified by information previously stored in memory.

7. (Original) The programmable television services client device of claim 5, wherein the service provided is identified by an operating system.

8. (Original) The programmable television services client device of claim 5, wherein the user input corresponds to a predefined input signal.

9. (Currently Amended) A programmable television services client device that provides television control services, said client device comprising:

a tuning device for tuning to one of a plurality of television services;

memory for storing data definitional information regarding a plurality of television menus in which each television menu includes at least one television menu option, the at least one television menu option being defined for each television menu based on each television service;
and

a processor coupled to said memory that is configured to receive an input signal corresponding to a menu command from a user, and responsive to receiving the input signal [[,]] identify a ~~type of~~ television service that is currently being provided to the user, and provide a television menu containing at least one television menu option, wherein the television menu option is selected to be included in the television menu one of the plurality of television menus to the user that includes at least one television menu option that is selected based on the identified type of television service and the likelihood that the television menu option will be used by the user.

10. (Currently Amended) The programmable television services client device of claim 9, wherein the ~~type of~~ television service is selected from a group consisting of:

a purchasable media presentation, a non-purchasable media presentation, a digital transmission, an analog transmission, a television control service, an information service, and a communication service.

11. (Original) The programmable television services client device of claim 9, wherein the service provided is identified by information previously stored in memory.

12. (Original) The programmable television services client device of claim 9, wherein the service provided is identified by an operating system.

13. (Original) The programmable television services client device of claim 9, wherein the user input corresponds to a predefined input signal.

14. (Currently Amended) A method for providing a television menu comprising:
receiving a plurality of television services via a settop terminal (STT);
storing definitional information regarding a plurality of television menus in which each television menu includes at least one television menu option, the at least one television menu option being defined for each television menu based on each television service;
tuning to one of the plurality of television services via the STT;
receiving an input signal from a user corresponding to a menu command to provide a television menu based on the tuned television service;
responsive to the receiving the input signal, identifying a type of television service that is currently being provided to the user via the STT; and
providing one of the plurality of television menus to the user that includes including a at least one television menu option in the television menu, wherein television menu option that is selected to be included in the television menu based on the identified type of television service that is currently being provided to the user via the STT and the likelihood that the television menu option will be used by the user.

15. (Currently Amended) The method for providing a television menu of claim 14, wherein the type of television service is selected from a group consisting of:

a purchasable media presentation, a non-purchasable media presentation, a digital transmission, an analog transmission, a television control service, an information service, and a communication service.

16. (Original) The method for providing a television menu of claim 14, wherein the service provided is identified by an operating system.

17. (Original) The method for providing a television menu of claim 14, wherein the service is identified by information previously stored in memory.

18. (Original) The method for providing a television menu of claim 14, wherein the user input corresponds to a predefined input signal.

19. (Currently Amended) A programmable television services client device that provides television control services, said client device comprising:

a tuning device for tuning to one of a plurality of television channels;

memory for storing ~~data~~ definitional information regarding a plurality of television menus in which each television menu includes at least one television menu option, the at least one television menu option being defined for each television menu based on each television channel;
and

a processor coupled to said memory that is configured to receive an input signal from a user, responsive to the input signal identify a ~~type of~~ television channel that is currently being provided to the user, provide ~~a television menu containing at least one television menu option, wherein the television menu option is selected to be included in the television menu~~ one of the plurality of television menus to the user that includes at least one television menu option that is selected based on the identified ~~type of~~ television channel ~~and the likelihood that the television menu option will be used by the user.~~

20. (Currently Amended) The programmable television services client device of claim 19, wherein the ~~type of~~ television channel is selected from a group consisting of:

an analog channel, a digital channel, a Pay Per View channel, a video on demand channel, a television control channel, a television services channel, a media on demand channel, and an internet channel.

21. (Currently Amended) A programmable television services client device that provides television control services, said client device comprising:

means for tuning to one of a plurality of television channels;

means for storing ~~data~~ definitional information regarding a plurality of television menus in which each television menu includes at least one television menu option, the at least one television menu option being defined for each television menu based on each television channel;
and

means for receiving an input signal from a user, responsive to the input signal identifying a ~~type of~~ television channel that is currently being provided to the user, providing a television menu containing at least one television menu option, wherein the television menu option is selected to be included in the television menu one of the plurality of television menus to the user that includes at least one television menu option that is selected based on the identified ~~type of~~ television channel and the likelihood that the television menu option will be used by the user.

22. (Currently Amended) The programmable television services client device of claim 21, wherein the ~~type of~~ television channel is selected from a group consisting of:

an analog channel, a digital channel, a Pay Per View channel, a video on demand channel, a television control channel, a television services channel, a media on demand channel, and an internet channel.

23. (Currently Amended) A programmable television services client device that provides television control services, said client device comprising:

means for tuning to one of a plurality of television services;

means for storing ~~data~~ definitional information regarding a plurality of television menus in which each television menu includes at least one television menu option, the at least one television menu option being defined for each television menu based on each television service;
and

means for receiving an input signal ~~from a user~~ corresponding to a menu command, responsive to the input signal identify a ~~type of~~ television service that is currently being provided to the user, providing a television menu containing at least one television menu option, wherein

~~the television menu option is selected to be included in the television menu~~ one of the plurality of television menus to the user that includes at least one television menu option that is selected based on the identified ~~type of television service and the likelihood that the television menu option will be used by the user.~~

24. (Currently Amended) The programmable television services client device of claim 23, wherein the ~~type of television service~~ is selected from a group consisting of:

a purchasable media presentation, a non-purchasable media presentation, a digital transmission, an analog transmission, a television control service, an information service, and a communication service.